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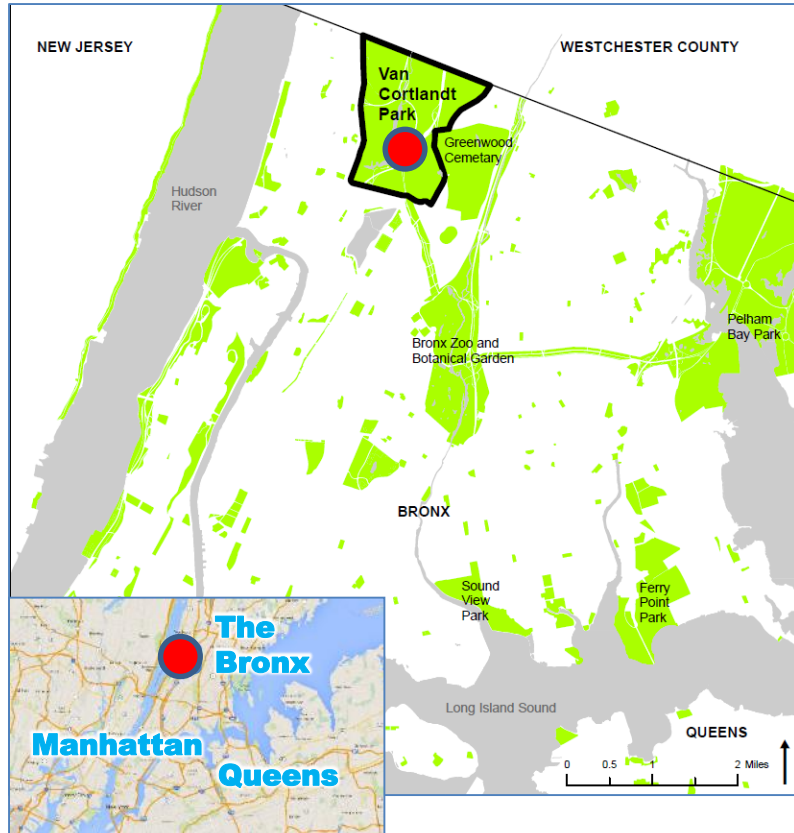
Van Cortlandt Park Pedestrian Bridge over Major Deegan Expressway Borough of The Bronx

**Presentation to Community Boards 8
March 28, 2018**

AGENDA

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- PROJECT HISTORY
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- DESIGN PARAMETERS
- TREE IMPACTS
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PROJECT HISTORY

CROTON FILTRATION PLANT MITIGATION

NYCDEP-NYC Parks Memorandum of Agreement of Sept. 2005 states:

DEP will undertake a study to determine whether or not a footbridge crossing over the Major Deegan Expressway is “technically, legally and financially feasible.”

PROJECT HISTORY

NYCDEP FEASIBILITY STUDY

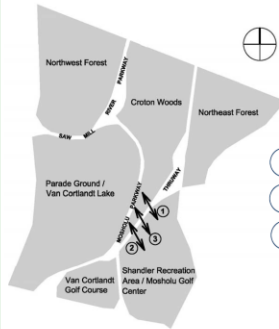
Van Cortlandt Park
I-87 Pedestrian Bridge Feasibility Study

Presented by



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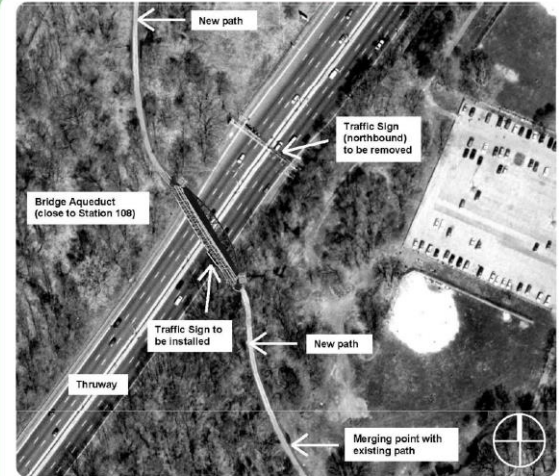
Three Final Alternatives



- ① Thruway Bridge North
- ② Thruway Bridge South
- ③ Thruway Bridge Aqueduct

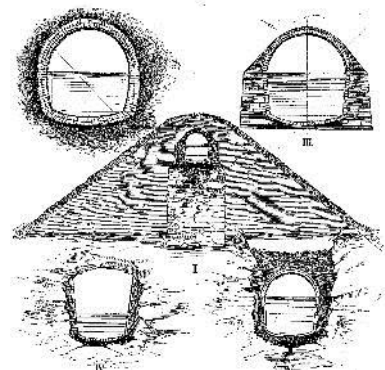
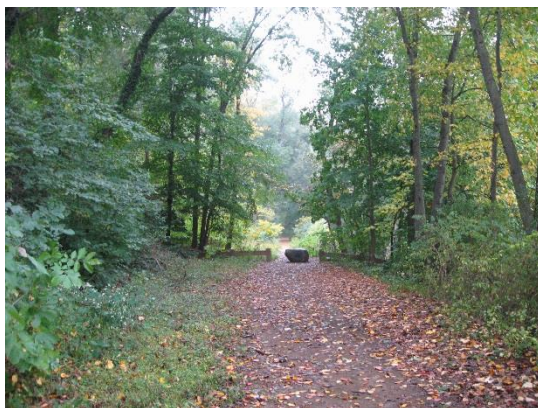
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Preferred Bridge Location:
Thruway Bridge Aqueduct



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CONTEXT - OLD CROTON AQUEDUCT TRAIL



DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION EXCELLENCE 2.0 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

GROWTH

Connects neighborhoods by removing a major pedestrian barrier in the park.

Reinforces the value and expands access to one of New York City's great parks.

Provides continuity for the Old Croton Aqueduct Trail in the park, and connects to other segments in the Bronx, including north to Westchester and south to Aqueduct Walk and the High Bridge.

EQUITY

Provides an inviting and accessible pedestrian route over the Major Deegan, with minimal disturbance to the park.

Promotes interaction between residents of diverse neighborhoods surrounding the park by creating an attractive linkage

Provides universal accessibility for pedestrians between existing pathways and an elevated deck over the highway.

SUSTAINABILITY

Enhances the forest ecosystem by clearing harmful invasive plants and planting new trees and ground covers.

Reduces community reliance on private vehicles for access to recreational facilities on the east and west portions of the park.

Existing subsurface material from construction excavation reused as fill material under elevated walks at transitions between on-grade paths and elevated walkways.

RESILIENCY

Enhances the forest landscape with a resilient plant palette used to revegetate areas of the park that are disturbed during construction.

Minimizes urban heat island effect with the use of light colored concrete paving, with higher albedo, on bridge and ramps.

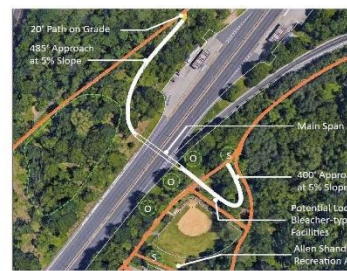
Protects stormwater absorption functions of wooded park landscape by minimizing the footprint of the bridge and approach ramps.

HEALTHY LIVING

Promotes walking and jogging by providing an expanded option of routes through the park through greater connectivity of trail segments.

Provides access for surrounding communities to portions of the park that have been difficult to access since the construction of the Major Deegan.

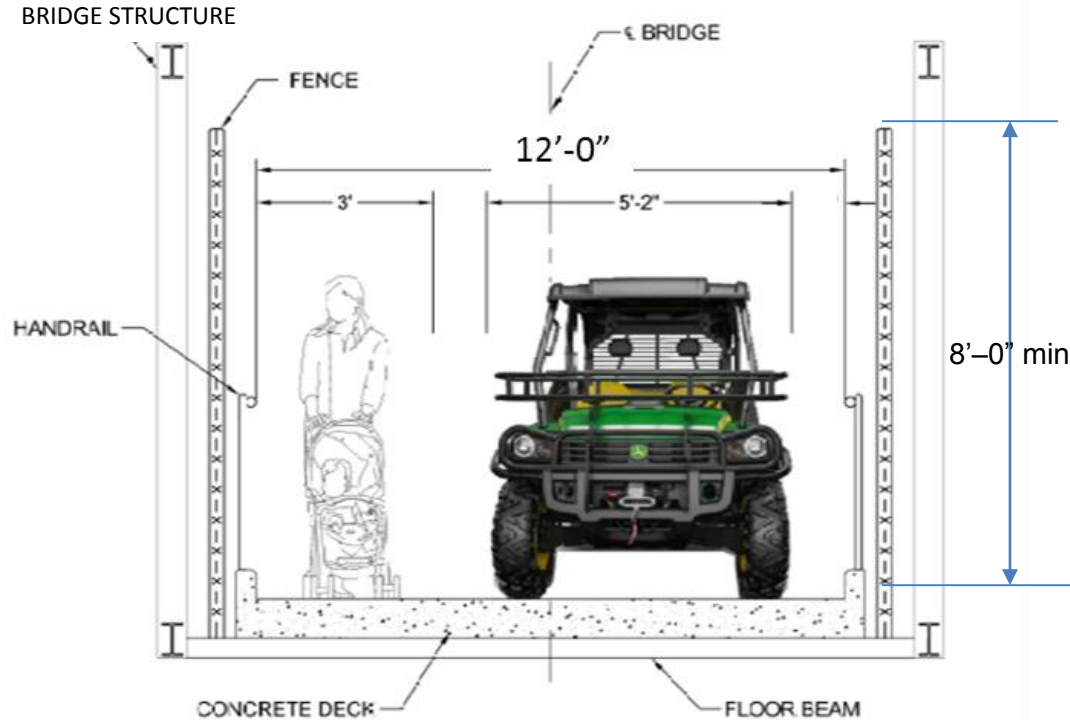
Minimizes impact on Van Cortlandt Park by causing minimal disturbance and preserving existing mature trees which provide ecological services to surrounding neighborhoods.



DESIGN CRITERIA – SPAN & VERTICAL CLEARANCE

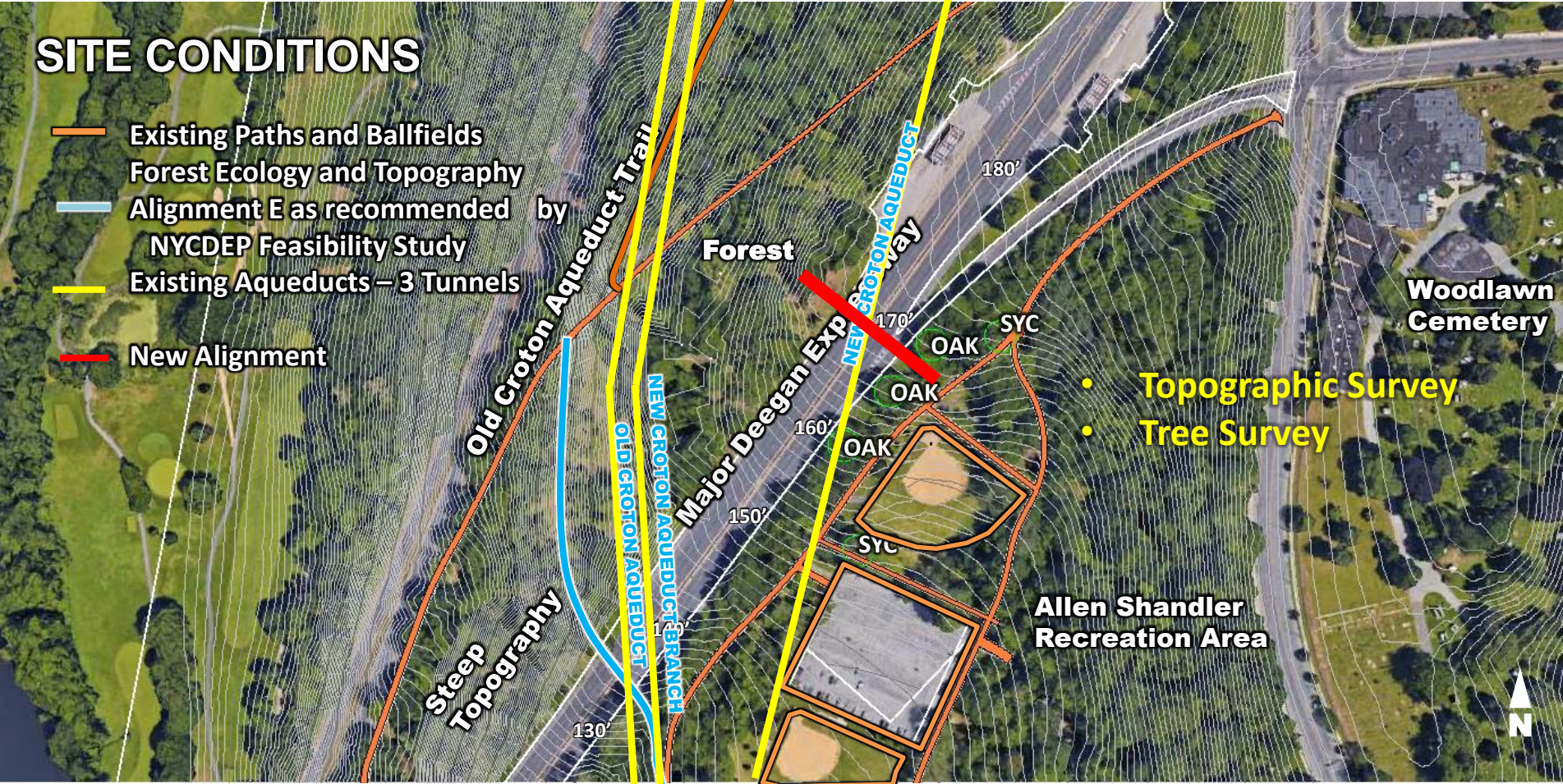


DESIGN CRITERIA - BRIDGE CROSS SECTION

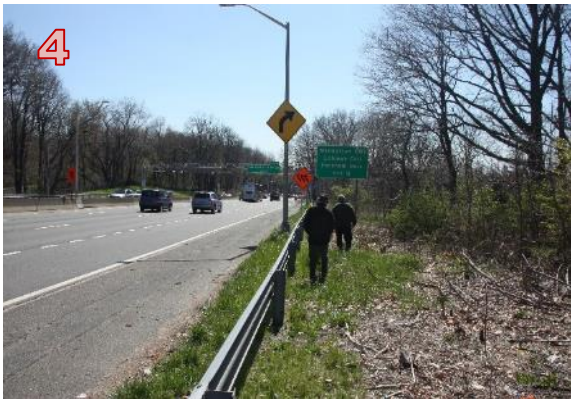


SITE CONDITIONS

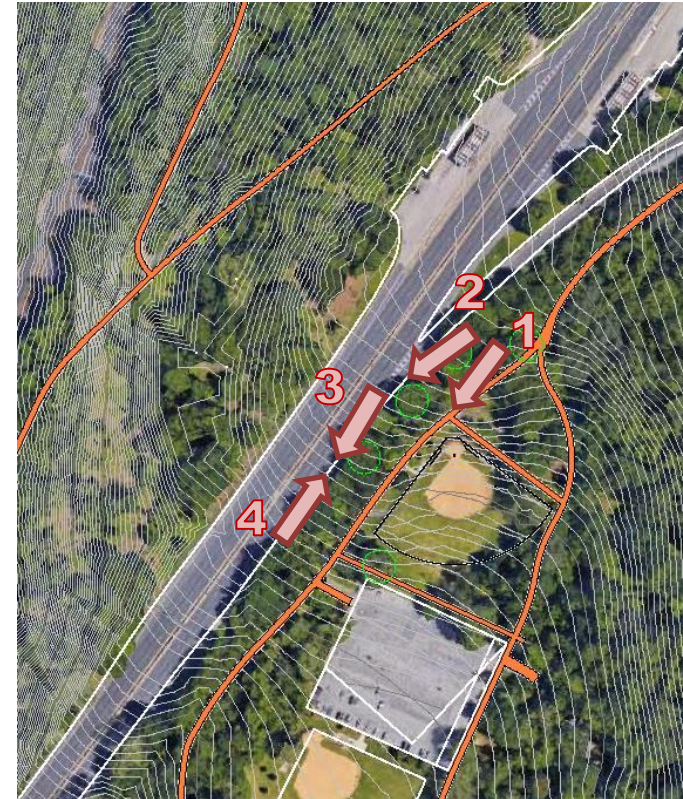
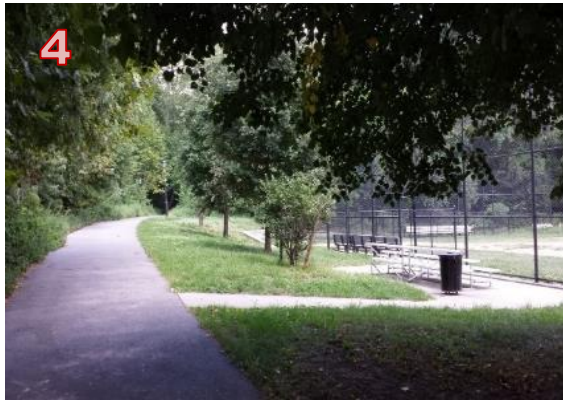
- Existing Paths and Ballfields
- Forest Ecology and Topography
- Alignment E as recommended by NYCDEP Feasibility Study
- Existing Aqueducts – 3 Tunnels
- New Alignment



SITE STUDY – FORESTRY & TOPOGRAPHY - WEST APPROACH RAMP AREA



SITE STUDY – FORESTRY & TOPOGRAPHY - EAST APPROACH RAMP AREA



CTED ALIGNMENT

WEST RAMP: 310 Ft.

EAST RAMP: 187 Ft.



ARCH/TIED ARCH BRIDGE

- SUITABLE FOR LONGER SPANS
- PREFABRICATED (ROLLED) COMPONENTS
- EASE OF CONSTRUCTION/ERECTION
- AESTHETICALLY BETTER LOOKING

RAMP ALIGNMENT: WOODLAND RAMPS



RAMP TYPE – 18 INCH CONCRETE FLAT SLAB





ELEVATION – LOOKING NORTH

VIEW OF THE BRIDGE





ARCHITECTURAL VIEW - LOOKING WEST



ARCHITECTURAL VIEW LOOKING EAST



CLOSE-UP VIEW – BRIDGE AND RAMP

PRELIMINARY TREE IMPACTS

EAST RAMP & PATH (Shandler Ballfields)

Tree Removals **Approx. 35**

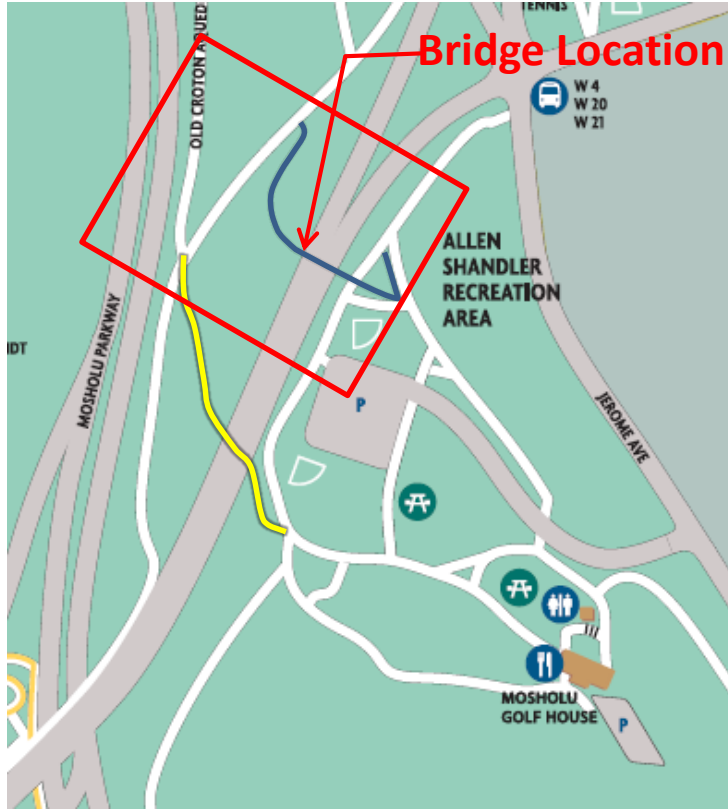
WEST RAMP & PATH (Forest)

Tree Removals **Approx. 47**

Total Tree Removal Approx. 82

**Tree species, health and size will be considered as design progresses.
The route will be adjusted where possible.**

Connecting Trail



Option 1:
1350 Feet
7-9 Min.

Option 2:
400 Ft
2-3 min.
Additional Cost \$1 m



RETAINING WALL RAMPS – TRANSITION TO GRADE



**Retaining Wall Ramps
Aesthetic Options**



Multiple aesthetic options

Graded Ramps



ACTION ITEMS:

**PRESENT TO CB/PDC
COMPLETE PRELIMINARY DESIGN**

**FEBRUARY/MARCH 2018
2Q 2018**

COMPLETE FINAL DESIGN

JANUARY 2019*

BID CONTRACT

JUNE 2019

START CONSTRUCTION

JANUARY 2020

COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION

DECEMBER 2021

**(*EXPEDITED DESIGN SUBJECT TO REGULATORY APPROVALS AND APPROVALS FROM
VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS)**

THANK YOU